

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Final Office Action dated February 7, 2012 (the “Final Office Action”). In order to advance prosecution of this case, Applicants cancel Claims 20-25 without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants previously canceled Claims 2, 8, 16-19, 27, 34, and 39 without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and favorable action in this case.

Examiner’s Interview Summary

Applicants’ attorney, Ms. Christa Brown-Sanford (Reg. No. 58,503), conducted a telephone interview with Examiner Wilson on February 21, 2012. Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy and opportunity to conduct the telephone interview. Applicants submit this summary of the telephone interview to record Applicants’ understanding of the substance of the interview and to comply with M.P.E.P. § 713.04.

During the interview, the Examiner and Applicants’ attorney discussed the rejection of Claim 20 and the allowable subject matter. Applicants’ attorney proposed submitting a response to the Final Office Action to advance prosecution.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation the Examiner’s allowance of Claims 1, 3-7, 9-15, 26, 28-33, 35-38 and 40.

Section 103 Rejections

Claims 20-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,504,844 issued to Keller-Tuberg (“*Keller-Tuberg*”) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,891,825 issued to O’Dell et al. (“*O’Dell*”). While Applicants do not acquiesce to the Examiner’s rejection, Applicants have canceled Claims 20-25 to advance prosecution of the Application, which renders the Examiner’s rejection moot.

No Waiver

All of Applicants’ arguments are without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants reserve the right to discuss the distinctions between the cited references and the claims in a later

response or on appeal, if appropriate. By not responding to additional statements made by the Examiner, Applicants do not acquiesce to the Examiner's additional statements. The exemplary arguments offered by Applicants are sufficient to overcome the rejections.

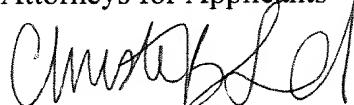
CONCLUSION

Applicants have made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons, and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicants respectfully request full allowance of all pending Claims. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the undersigned attorney for Applicants stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

No fees are believed to be due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees or to credit the Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts, L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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